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AN ACT amend Tennessee Code Annotated,
Section 2-2-106; Section 2-2-109 and
Section 2-12-114, relative to voter registration.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-12-114, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) Each county election commission shall provide to coordinator of elections the following information by precinct beginning on June 1, 1995, and each six (6) months thereafter:

(1) The number of active voters and the number of inactive voters at the beginning of the reporting period.

(2) The number of active voters and the number of inactive voters at the end of reporting period.

(3) The number of new valid voter registrations for the reporting period. This number shall not include duplicates, rejected registrations, and changes of names and addresses within the county.

(4) The number of active voters and the number of inactive voters purged during the reporting period.

(b) Each county election commission shall on the same schedule established in subsection (a) provide to the coordinator of elections the following information for the county:

(1) The number of registration applications received during the reporting period from the following categories of sources:

(A) Those registering to vote in the county election commission office or other supplemental registrations held by or on behalf of the county election commission;

(B) The department of safety, motor vehicle offices;

(C) By-mail registration;

(D) Public assistance agencies serving as voter registration agencies. This includes the following state departments: Human Services, Mental Health/Mental Retardation, Health, and Veterans Affairs;

(E) State-funded agencies primarily serving persons with disabilities;

(F) Armed forces recruitment offices; and

(G) Passive registration agencies: public libraries, county clerks, registers of deeds.

(2) The number of duplicate registration applications received during the six (6) month period from the same categories of sources.

(3) The number of confirmation notices mailed out during the six (6) month period and the number of responses received to those confirmation notices.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-106(c), is amended by deleting the words and punctuation ", first class" from the first sentence of that subsection so that it reads as follows:

If, as a result of the address verification program, the county election commission determines that a voter has changed voter's residence address, the registrar shall mail a forwardable confirmation notice to the registrant at the address of registration with a postage prepaid, pre-addressed return form on which the voter may verify or correct the new address information.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-109, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding the following new subsection:

(b) When elections are being held in two (2) or more voting districts within any county, the time period for such registration or alteration of permanent registration records shall be calculated for each election separately, and such registration or alteration of permanent registration records is not prohibited in one (1) election because it is twenty-nine (29) days prior to another within the same county.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.